

RECEIVER FOR AND METHOD OF EXTENDING BATTERY LIFE

ABSTRACT

A method for and selective call communications unit (CU)

- 5 arranged and constructed for extended battery life includes a first receiver having low power consumption, preferably operating an a duty cycle, for receiving a call signal to provide an enable signal, in one aspect conditioned on a match of a selective call address to an address for the CU; and a messaging receiver, activated by the enable signal, for

10 receiving a message intended for the CU. These methods can result in a battery life for the CU approaching a shelf life of the battery.